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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action dated July 30, 2007, a restriction was required between three inventions. Group I was stated to be claims 1-5, 11-16, 18-26 and 30-34, drawn to a protein based film, a film coated product and a method of preparing. Group II was said to be claim 6-8 and 17, drawn to a protein based film comprising an additional agent, i.e., a plasticizer, a strength improving agent, a pigment dye and a baby's milk formula. Finally, the invention of Group III was said to be claim 27, drawn to a method of preparing a protein based film comprising at least one of a plasticizer, a strength improving agent and a pigment dye. It was stated that the special technical features of Groups I - III are different and that these features

are not shared with the other Groups. Therefore, applicant was advised that in reply to this requirement, applicant must elect a Species and identify the claims accompanying the elected invention.

In response, applicant elects the invention of Group I. Claims 1-5, 11-16, 18-26 and 30-34 are the claims encompassing the elected invention.

Prompt and favorable examination of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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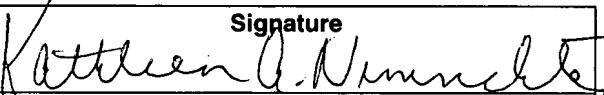

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